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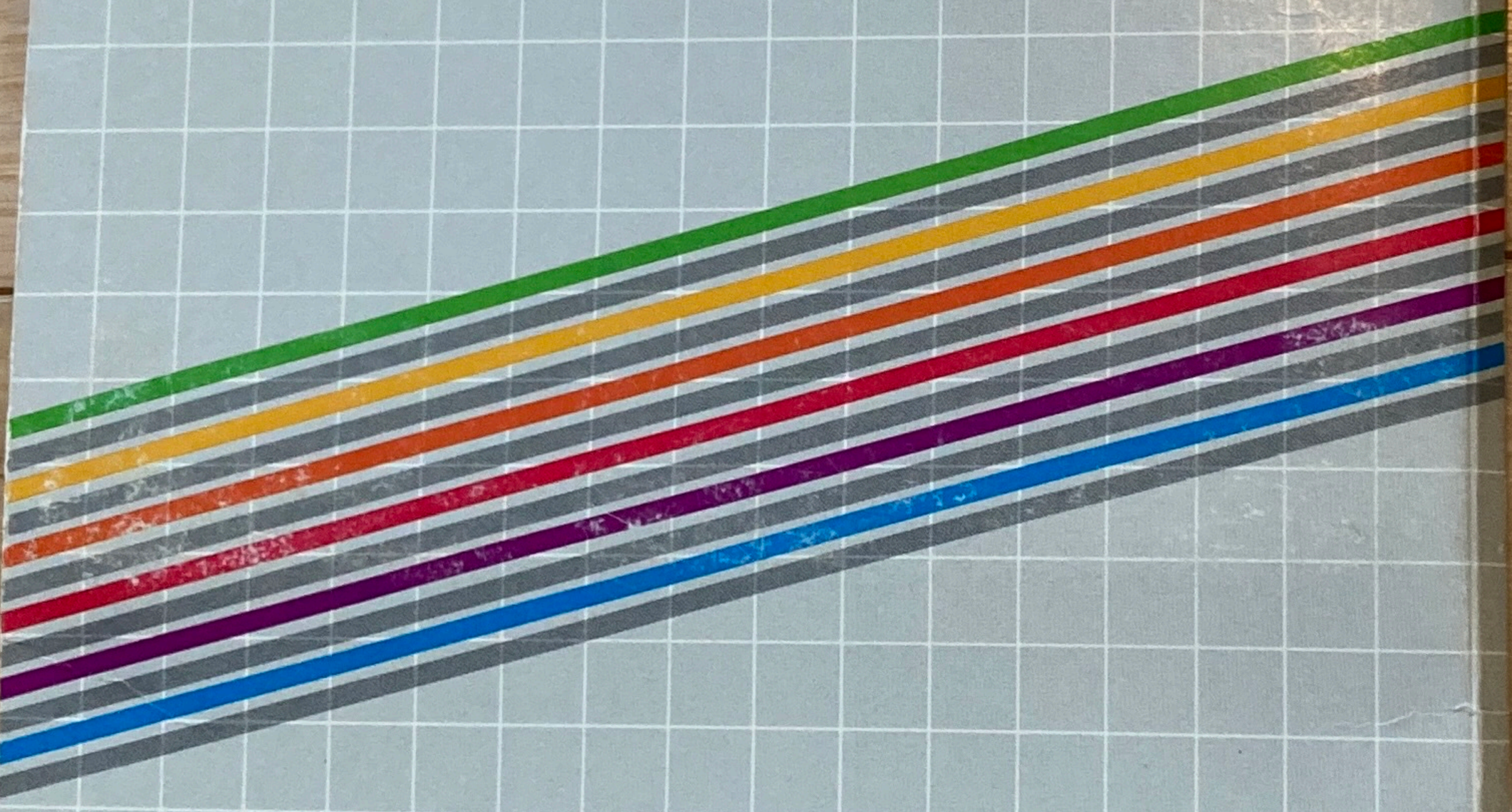

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If you have correctly evaluated your hand, you will be able to proceed to another quiz. If not, the program will help you to find the correct answer. Notice that the program shuffles and deals every four hands.

The next step will be to learn a first bidding system. It is highly recommended that you start with the STANDARD AMERICAN approach, which is the "Esperanto" of all bridge players.

Start with the option to LEARN, and in the menu, select option #3. A sub-menu will appear:

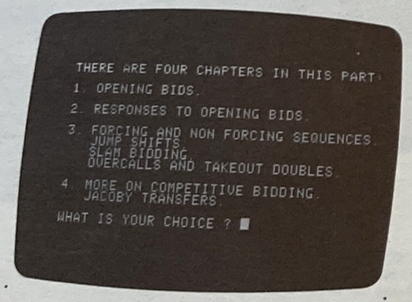

THERE ARE FOUR CHAPTERS IN THIS PART:
1. OPENING BIDS.
2. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS.
3. FORCING AND NON FORCING SEQUENCES.
JUMP SHIFTS.
SLAM BIDDING.
OVERCALLS AND TAKEOUT DOUBLES.
4. MORE ON COMPETITIVE BIDDING.
JACOBY TRANSFERS.
WHAT IS YOUR CHOICE ? ■

Figure 3.

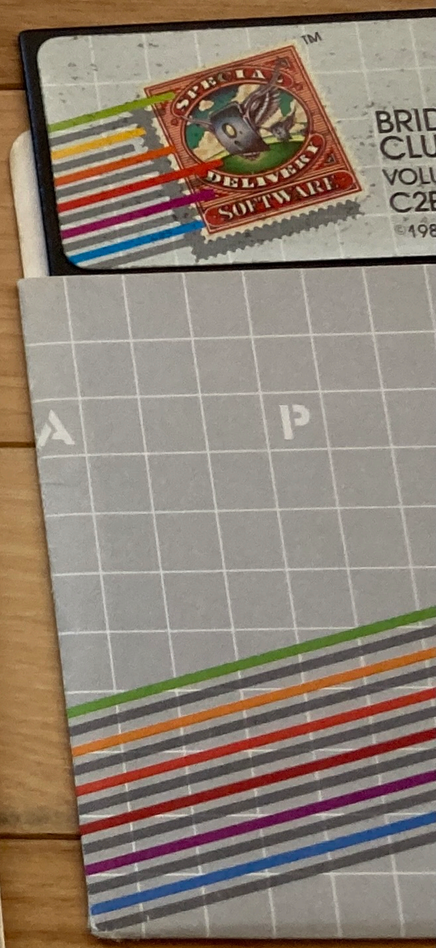
Study first the opening bids (#1). It is recommended that you read the chapter entirely before practicing, because the Quiz Generator will randomly deal all kinds of openings. However, do not hesitate to practice as soon as possible, since you can alternately answer quizzes and review the theory. When you practice with the Quiz Generator, the answers should be given in the form: 1C, 1D, 1H, 1S, 1NT, 2C, etc. If you make a mistake you can try again or the program will tell you the correct bid.

The same back and forth strategy should be used to study the responses to opening bids. Read the theory, practice with the Quiz Generator, review the theory, practice again, etc. There is no limit to the number of different quizzes you can solve.

Before sitting at a table and enjoying playing, read the colorful lesson on Declarer's Play (option #4), the material on Opening Leads (option #5) and practice your leads. There are two specialized Quiz Generators on opening leads against no trump and suit contracts. The hands are generated randomly, but when you receive such a strong hand that it is unlikely that the opponents could be declarers, that hand is simply passed.

You still have to read the lessons on forcing and non-forcing sequences, competitive bidding, etc.

Above all, practice and practice again; it is the secret of fine bridge playing. It is also a good idea to have your favorite partners run these programs and exercise their skills.

If you are familiar with the Standard American approach or if you are already an Intermediate player, you will have noticed that most of your partners and opponents use a form of "natural" bidding where spades mean spades and clubs mean clubs. But you may also have played against opponents using a bidding system that sounds like a foreign language to you. You are now ready to understand them and perhaps to play in their language.

There are two main approaches used by intermediate and advanced players: the Precision Club and the Scientific approach. For both systems, Bridge Tutor presents a summary of the conventions and a bibliography. You will find them in the main menu under options #6 and #7, but at your level of expertise practice is needed most.